July 16, 2003

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45;

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Michele Farquhar and I made an *ex parte* presentation today to Jane Mago, Kathleen Ham, Simon Wilke and Sarah Whitesell of the Office of Stategic Planning & Policy Analysis. Our conversation tracked the attached document.

If you have any questions, then please contact me at 202-654-5903.

Respectfully submitted,

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